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In re Application of HILL, DAVID J.
Appl. No.: 10/786,378
Filed: February 25, 2004
For: BI-LEAVED VALVE APPARATUS

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: **DECISION ON PETITION**
: **UNDER 37 CFR 1.59**
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.59(b), filed May 9, 2005, to expunge information from the above identified application. The petition fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(h) or (i) has been authorized to be charged to Deposit Account Number 10-0270. This is construed as an authorization to charge the petition fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(g) as is currently required.

The petition is granted.

Petitioner requests that a document entitled Valve Drawings, filed May 9, 2005, and contained as an "Artifact" separate from the Image File Wrapper (IFW) system, be expunged from the record. Petitioner states that either (A) that the information contains trade secret material, proprietary material and/or material that is subject to a protective order which has not been made public; or (B) that the information submitted was unintentionally submitted and the failure to obtain its return would cause irreparable harm to the party who submitted the information or to the party in interest on whose behalf the information was submitted, and the information has not otherwise been made public.

The information in question has been determined by the undersigned to not be material to the examination of the instant application.

Applicant is required to retain the expunged material(s) for the life of any patent which issues on the above-identified application.

The expunged material has been removed from the official file. In as much as papers cannot be physically expunged from the Image File Wrapper (IFW) file or returned to petitioner, all

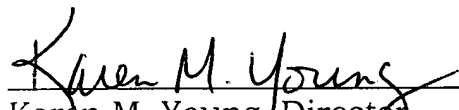
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references to the Artifact folder have been marked as "closed pursuant to decision on petition under 37 CFR 1.59" and have been closed to the public view.

The application is being forwarded to TC 3700 Head Supervisory Applications Examiner to charge the appropriate fee to the authorized Deposit Account prior to being forwarded to the Office of Publications.



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